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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of January 6, 2003, has a shortened statutory time set to expire on April 6, 2003. A one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

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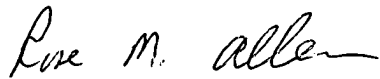
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